

COMPLETE REPORT

Regular Meeting for the Month of September

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Routine Business Transacted. Only Four Members Were Present

Board of County Commissioners met in their office in Arcadia September 8. Present: C. L. Keene, D. S. Williams, D. J. Farabee and R. L. Holzendorf. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

A bond of J. G. King with John Readwell and J. A. Hendry as sureties, approved by the board.

A petition for the appointment of a road commissioner presented and approved by the board.

A petition was received asking for a road to be run as follows: Beginning at the old Lamb McClelland on Peace river, running the most direct and best route to Zolfo, Fla. J. L. Roberts, H. C. Bethea and W. L. Williams were appointed blazers and the petition mailed to J. L. Roberts, Zolfo, Fla.

C. Platt, P. S. Harrison and M. E. Hinton reported on the following proposed road: Beginning at northeast corner of southwest quarter of southwest quarter, section 33, township 35 north, range 23 east.

A notice posted on court house door and one mailed to N. C. Platt, Zolfo, Fla.

A bond of D. N. McQueen with Goff and C. A. Roe as sureties, approved by the board.

The sum of \$10 is hereby appropriated for the present relief of the family of J. L. Roberts.

A bond of J. L. Roberts with C. L. Blount as sureties, approved by the board.

A petition was received asking for a road to be run as follows: Beginning at the Sweetwater church and running through the land of A. L. Altman, Mr. Altman's residence direct to the wire road at a point near the saw mill of M. T. Bond, thereby making the section complete. J. A. Hughes, T. Bond and A. T. Altman were appointed blazers, and appointment mailed to A. Hughes, Sweetwater, Fla.

A county judge and tax collector and licenses as follows:

County.....\$19 50
Total.....\$29 25

It is hereby ordered that Geo. Noland, overseer at Fort Ogden, be, and he is hereby instructed to employ the parties interested in the grove known as Granger property at Fort Ogden, to remove the orange trees from the way of the public road running through said property, and set said trees per instructions of the interested parties.

A road petition received from Bunker and laid over until next meeting for further investigation.

Commissioner D. S. Williams reported to the board that he had sold the oranges on the county farm for \$100.

A bond of D. L. O'Neal with M. O'Conner and George Goshorn as sureties approved and permit issued.

On the petition, as required by law, William Johns was recommended to the governor for appointment as fish and game warden at a salary of \$60 per month. The vote being taken Mr. Farabee voted for Mr. Holzendorf against being a tie Mr. Keene, chairman, voted for, which decided the matter in favor of Mr. Johns.

The sum of \$10 is hereby appropriated for the present relief of Geo. Mayfield (colored), who was overcome with heat while working in a clay pit.

It is hereby recommended to the comptroller that W. F. Leach be allowed to redeem the following described land from the sale of August 5, 1901, certificate No. 386, including the taxes on all subsequent years for the sum of \$0. All except one 1/4 of section 29, township 37, south range 26 east. Said recommendation is made on the grounds that nearly all the land is low and marshy, and practically worthless.

The treasurer is hereby instructed to defer the sale of said land to the next meeting of the board.

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valuation of 50c per acre upon the grounds that the timber has been removed from said land.

N 1/2 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, sec 1, township 33 south range 24 east; NE 1/4 sec 3, township 33 south range 24 east; NE 1/4 sec 4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 SW 1/4 section 8, township 33 south range 24 east; SW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec 9, township 33 south range 24 east; SE 1/4 NE 1/4 section 11, township 33 south range 24 east; NW 1/4 sec 13, township 33 south range 24 east; NW 1/4 E 1/2 NE 1/4 E 1/2 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 sec 15, township 33 south range 24 east; S 1/2 NE 1/4 NE 1/4 sec 14, township 33 south range 24 east; SW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec 17, township 33 south range 24 east; S 1/2 SW 1/4 NW 1/4 sec 10, township 33 south range 24 east; NW 1/4 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 sec 20, township 33 south range 24 east; NE 1/4 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 S 1/2 SW 1/4 S 1/2 sec 22, township 33 south range 24 east; E 1/2 NW 1/4 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 SW 1/4 SE 1/4 NE 1/4 sec 23, township 33 south range 24 east; E 1/2 NW 1/4 sec 24, township 33 south range 24 east; NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 sec 10, township 33 south, range 24 east.

The following county officers filed their respective reports:

J. A. Hendry, treasurer; A. C. Freeman, sheriff; W. C. Langford, tax collector; R. E. Brown, county judge; D. M. Cason, J. P., and G. W. McLaure, J. P.

There being no further business the board adjourned to meet the first Monday in October, 1908.

Utilizing Sharks' Teeth.

The natives on some of the Pacific islands, being provided with neither metals nor any stone harder than the coral rocks of which the atolls they inhabit are composed, would seem badly off, indeed, for material of which to make tools or weapons were it not that their very necessity has bred an invention no less ingenious than curious and effective. This is nothing less than the use of sharks' teeth to give a cutting edge to their wooden knives and swords. The mouth of the shark contains 300 teeth arranged in five rows, all closely lying upon each other, except the outer row, and so constructed that as one tooth is broken or lost

so that the next tooth in the row

increased. Indeed, so great a faculty have these teeth for wounding that the implements and weapons upon which they are used have to be handled with great care. The Kingfisher Islanders make many strange articles of sharks' teeth.

A Monster of Learning.

The famous Cardinal Mezzofanti knew an amazing number of languages and dialects. Perhaps he is best known to the modern English reader from the eulogy to be found in one of Byron's memoranda, published by Moore.

"Your literary everyday man and I," says Byron, "never went well in company, especially your foreigner, whom I never could abide. I don't remember a man among them whom I ever wished to see twice, except perhaps Mezzofanti, who is a monster of learning, the Babel of parts of speech, a walking polyglot and, more, who ought to have existed at the time of the tower of Babel as universal interpreter. He is indeed a marvel—unassuming also. I tried him in all the tongues of which I knew a single oath (or adjuration) to the gods against post-boys, savages, Tartars, boatmen, sailors, pilots, gondoliers, mulattoes, camel drivers, vetturini, postmasters, post-horses, post houses, post everything; and, egad, he astounded me, even to my English."

Gulls and Clams.

The discussion continues between those who think that all the acts of the lower animals are satisfactorily explained by the hypothesis of inherited instinct and those who hold that there is an element of intelligence, if not of reasoning, in these things. W. L. Pinley, in a work on American birds, mentions an observation of his which may perhaps be explained either way, but which in any case is interesting. A gull seized upon a clam and, rising to a height of about fifteen feet, allowed it to fall upon hard ground. The clam kept its mouth shut. Again the gull rose with it to the same height and dropped it once more, with the same result. This operation was repeated fifteen times, when at last the clam had the desired effect, the shell was opened, and the gull enjoyed its dainty contents.

The Bachelors' Excuses.

At a wedding breakfast the bachelors were called upon to give their reasons for remaining single. The following were among the reasons given:

"I am like the frog in the fable who, though he loved the water, would not jump into the well because he could not jump out again."

"I am too selfish and honest enough to admit it."

"I prefer, on the one hand, liberty, retreating sleep, the opera, midnight dinners, quiet seclusion, peace, and a bank account, and on the other

the other hand, disturbed rest, cold meat, baby linen, soothing sirup, rocking horses, bread pudding and empty pockets."

"I have a twin brother, and we have never had a secret from one another. He is married."

Suspicious.

A man entered a Tenderloin drug store the other day and asked for a telephone, says the New York Tribune. He was evidently from out of town. "Do I pay you first or afterward?" he asked the clerk when the instrument in question was pointed out to him. "You call your number and then put your dime in the slot," snapped the clerk. The stranger was suspicious. "In that hole there?" he asked, looking all around the telephone and fingering the slot dubiously. "Yes." "I guess not," said he, turning away, with decision. "I ain't lookin' fer no savin' a bank."

Saw Him With Her Own Eyes.

"It is too bad," said Mrs. Oldcastle, "that our curate seems likely to be a valetudinarian all his life."

"Why, he ain't, is he?" replied her hostess as she toyed with her diamond studded brooch. "I'm almost sure I seen him eatin' beefsteak at the dinner in the parish house night before last."

—Chicago Record-Herald.

Followed Copy.

Father (to little son returning from horseback ride)—Got a fall, did you? Well, I hope you didn't cry like a baby. Son—No, dad, I didn't cry. I just said one word—the same as you'd have said.—Punch.

Another Authority.

Mr. Howe—I suppose you have studied all the authorities on social and economic questions? Mr. Wise—Not quite all. My daughter's graduation essay is not out yet.—Life.

A Paradox.

"Since Footlight inherited a fortune he is a paradox."

"What's the answer?"

"He is both the richest and poorest actor on the stage."

Thought He Had Died.

A member of a German story about a

showed up—

doctor told the wife

husband might have

that he liked.

The German expressed a desire for a candidate for the

limburger cheese, and the wife, being a generous woman and pleased at the improvement and in order that her husband might have a nibble at any time he had a taste for it, put some cheese in every room in the house. It is easy to imagine the aroma.

The next morning the doctor called at the house, and as soon as he opened the door he asked:

"When did he die?"—Hartford Post.

How It Works Out.

"I never tell funny stories in my speeches," remarked Senator Borah.

"The audience always enjoys them."

"Yes. A man hears you tell a funny story, and he thinks it is so good he tries to remember it. He regards you as a first rate fellow and feels thankful to you for giving him a new one. Then he tells it to the first friend he meets, and as he isn't a good story teller the friend doesn't laugh. Then he tries it on the blasé hotel clerk and the stolid drug store man and several others, and by the time he gets home he concludes you have passed him a gold brick. He not only refuses to tell for you, but tells all his friends he doesn't think it's dignified to keep in a man who tells funny stories."

—Washington Star.

Spelled In Full.

"We had an editor in chief on our paper years ago who was a stickler for no abbreviations," said a veteran newspaper man. "He didn't believe in abbreviating anything but the word mister. The names of states had to be spelled out. One time one of the boys wrote a news story which contained this clause: 'And Mozart's mass was played.' The proofreader who got the story had been under the exacting direction of that editor for years, too many years to allow any proper name to get by him without being spelled out, so when he came to this 'mass' he 'rang' the word, and it came out 'Mozart's Massachusetts.'—Omaha Bee.

Radical.

"I hear that your new school superintendent is rather radical."

"He is that," responded Farmer Haw. "He's cut out the higher head-work and the perforated tattling, and he's advising teachers to handle the children according to the rules of common sense. Oh, yes! Our new superintendent is radical, all right."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Wife—I've invited one of my old beaux to dinner. Do you mind? Husband—Mind! Heavens, no! I love to associate with lucky people.—Life.

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